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In re application of: Hiroshi KURUMATANI et al.

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For: MAGNETIC RECORDING AND REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

Examiner: Christopher R. Magee

Art Unit: 2627

**Mail Stop Amendment  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 11, 2006

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully  
requested in view of the following amendments and comments.